

Transportation Conformity Working Group Interagency Consultation Meeting Summary

**Thursday, September 22, 2005
3:00 – 4:30 PM**

**Southern California Association of Governments
818 W 7th Street, 12th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90017
Riverside 'A' Conference Room**

The following minutes are intended to summarize the matters discussed.
Due to technical difficulties there is no audio recording of the meeting available for review.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 PM by Ty Schuiling, SANBAG

2.0 WELCOME AND SELF-INTRODUCTIONS

ATTENDANCE:

In Person:

Naresh Amatya, SCAG
Grace Balmir, FHWA/FTA
Herman Cheng, MTA
Ashad Hamideh, MTA
Ted Harris, SCAG
Jessica Kirchner, SCAG
Anup Kulkarni, OCTA
Nancy Marroquin, MTA
Jean Mazur, FHWA
Sylvia Patsaourus, SCAG
Ty Schuiling, SANBAG
Eyvonne Sells, AQMD
Arnie Sherwood, ITS/UCB
Paul Taylor, OCTA
Carla Walecka, TCA
Leann Williams, Caltrans

Via Teleconference:

Mike Brady, Caltrans Headquarters
Joe Cassmassi, SCAQMD
Paul Fagan, Caltrans District 8
Sandy Johnson, Caltrans District 11
Lisa Poe, SANBAG
Dennis Wade, ARB

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments at this meeting.



4.0 CHAIR'S REPORT

There was no report at this time.

5.0 ACTION ITEMS

5.1 Approval of the August 23, 2005 Meeting Summary

It was noted that on page 4, third complete paragraph, it was pointed out that there was an error in the second sentence where it stated that SAFETEA-LU is raising the importance of CMS and its consistency with the intent of federal rules. Additionally, on page 4, fourth complete paragraph, it was pointed out that second sentence did not make sense and should be deleted. On page 5, Item 6.5, it was noted that there was a typo in the third paragraph. On page 6, the second paragraph had a couple of minor typos.

With these corrections noted, motion was made to approve the minutes with the amendments, then unanimously approved.

6.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 TCM Replacement (Paul Taylor, OCTA)

Mr. Paul Taylor, OCTA, gave a presentation on OCTA's plan to replace two committed TCMs with new TCM projects that provided greater or equivalent emission reductions. The Centerline program will be replaced by a 28-mile mixed flow Bus Rapid Transit from the Brea Mall to Irvine Transportation Center, Metrolink service expansion enhancing service between the Inland Empire and Orange County, Irvine Business Center Shuttle, and free 3+ HOV on the Express Lanes, from SR 55 to the Orange County/Riverside County line. The Yorba Linda Station project will be replaced with the Fullerton Station Parking Structure project.

6.2 2007 AQMP Update (Eyvonne Sells, SCAQMD)

There was no update at this time. The update was given at the Statewide Transportation Conformity Working Group meeting held earlier in the day at the SCAG office.

6.3 TCM Update (Ted Harris, SCAG)

Mr. Ted Harris, SCAG, presented a review of the TCM matrixes. The matrixes included committed TCMs by County, TCMs by County that needed additional information, and TCM's that were originally listed and turned out to not be actual TCMs.

6.4 Information Sharing (Group Discussion)

Ms. Grace Balmir, FHWA/FTA, discussed the Certification Revision Report and Baseline Tier II. Ms. Jean Mazur, FHWA, discussed the NEPA approval process.

7.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM. The next meeting of the TCWG will be on Tuesday, October 25th at the SCAG offices.